

WØMTL — **Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News** — WØKEM
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*Hello
February.*



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YEARLY HARC CLUB DINNER: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2016

Reservations have been made at Golden Corral for Feb 13, 2016, with the dinner starting at 6:30 PM. Members and guests welcome.

We will be in the front room as in the past. Everyone pays for their own dinner.

NOTE: There will be no scheduled meeting in February due to yearly dinner.

MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – FEBRUARY, 2016



1	KDØHHN	DON
8	WØPGL	TONY
15	KB9VIS	BRIAN
22	WB2UFO	LARRY
29	KDØYTH	STEVE

FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2016

DATES FOR 2016: April 13, July 13, and October 12

Registration is required at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Fred Miller- KB0WIL at kb0wil@arrl.net or 573-221-2429.

The 2016 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting.

WALK INS ARE NOT ALLOWED.

NOTE DIRECTIONS TO OUR NEW MEETING SITE.

MARION COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 142 JAYCEE DRIVE, HANNIBAL, MISSOURI

Driving Directions (From the South): Route 61 into the city. Continue past the turn off for MODOT offices. The next Left is **Clinic Road (Poage Jeep/Chrysler)**. Turn Left onto Clinic Road and continue to the intersection of **Communication Drive**. Turn Left onto Communication Drive and continue to the end of Communication Drive. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

(From the North/East/West): Route 61 south to **Clinic Road (Right turn just past Wendy's)**. Turn right onto Clinic Road and go to intersection of **Communication Drive**. Turn Right onto Communication Drive and continue to the end. Ambulance District building is the last one on the Right with parking just before the building, also on the right.

HARC CLUB DUES:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!



HARC MINUTES FOR JANUARY, 2016 MEETING



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes January 13th, 2016

Don (KD0HN) opened the meeting at 7:00pm with 18 people present including 3 guests, and asked for any proposals for membership. Since there were none, he inquired if everyone read the minutes from the December 2015 meeting, and asked for any changes, additions, or corrections. Hearing none, Don asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Ed (K9WAY) made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Howard (K0DFW). The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry (WB2UFO) read the Treasurer's report. Last Month's Ending Balance was \$1,357.83, this Month's Ending Balance is \$1,587.62, and the CD Balance is \$1,321.98, making the Total Assets \$2,949.60. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Ed (K9WAY) and seconded by Oral (K0UBR). The motion carried.

Repeaters:

Don (KD0HHN) reported that the "88" machine was working fine after Fred replaced a backup battery that was causing problems

Unfinished Business:

Don (KD0HN) reminded everyone that dues should be paid by now, and if not, please get them to Larry (WB2UFO) as soon as possible.

Don received a letter from the ARRL with an update about the status HR1301; the Amateur Radio Parity Act. The bill had moved to a subcommittee that was meeting on the Monday January 12th, and Don hadn't received any further updates. The Senate version, SB 1685 cleared it's committee last November so it is apparently moving along. Don reported that Senator McCaskill was having a "Listening Post" in Palmyra on December 15th. An appointment was needed for a 15 minute time slot. Don tried to contact them, but received no response.

Don (KD0HN) also reminded everyone about "Bike Across Missouri" that will start in St. Joseph on the 12th of June and will finish in Hannibal on the 17th. They and SEMA want Amateur Radio involvement with the event, needing 12 to 15 operators a day. It runs from 8:00am until approximately 8:00pm. Don (KD0HN) will be the liaison between Region "H", and our region which is Region "B". Ed (K9WAY) made a motion to allow the event use of our repeater. The motion was seconded by Rob (KE0DZI), and the motion carried.

New Business:

Don (KD0HHN) announced that we have a new Section Manager. Dale Bagley is resigned December 31st due to some family health issues. Cecil Higgins (AC0HA) is our new Section Manager. He is from District "D" in the Joplin area. He previously served as Assistant Section Manager and was highly recommended by Dale and will be serving out the remainder of Dale's term. He will be up for reelection in 2016. We wish both Dale and Cecil the best.

Ed wanted to remind everyone about the tone change that will be made on the 146.94 repeater on March 1st. The tone will change from 103.5 to 123.0 due to interference and noise it was causing in the Adams County Emergency Center.

Don announced that the Club dinner will be held at the Golden Corral February 13th at 6:30pm. Fred inquired if we received any QSL Card requests from the Lighthouse event. Larry (WB2UFO) said we had, and he had turned them and some certificate requests over to Bonnie (WB0WAP). Larry also mentioned we have a huge number of extra QSL cards that may be used in connection with our new permanent station at the Ambulance Facility, possibly designating that station as W0MTL. The QSL Cards have a picture of the lighthouse and the W0MTL callsign, but don't actually have any reference to the Lighthouse Event. Discussion followed about the proposed set-up at the facility with questions concerning antennas and generators.

50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Rob (KE0DZI) and it was donated back to the Club. Thanks Rob!

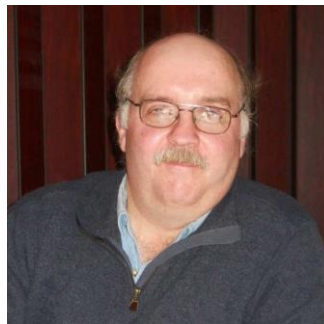
Drawing:

Gene (W0GZ) donated a Baofeng HT radio with an additional antenna to the Club to be raffled at the January meeting. It was won by Don (KD0HHN). Congratulations Don!

A motion to adjourn was made by Ed (K9WAY), and seconded by Luan (KA9WAY). The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned. Testing followed the meeting.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK
DON VARY KDØHHN



Well here we are, with the start of another year. Where has the time gone? At least we can't complain about the winter, because it's been kinda mild so far. I hope that the newsletter finds everyone in good health and spirits.

About the only thing that I have to bring up is the upcoming Bike Across Missouri which will be happening from June 11 through the 17th of this year. The route will start in St. Joseph and ending in Hannibal. The meetings are currently underway for the planning with each county. SEMA is planning to use this as their yearly exercise for both our region, B, and region H. As such, they are also looking to Amateur Radio to help with communications. I have been asked to function as the Region B liaison with Region H for Amateur Radio, as well as my regular duty as Emergency Coordinator for Marion County for the event. Our day for the event is the 17th, with the riders starting out in Shelbyville, going up to Shelbyville, through Emden, Philadelphia, and Palmyra and into Hannibal. We are looking at needing around 15 operators for that day to man checkpoints, rest stops, etc. As I get more info, I'll pass it on. If you know of any hams, who might be interested in helping, have them get a hold of me. At the most, it is figured that anyone would be needed for 2-3 hours at the most, along the route.

Also don't forget that Field Day will be coming up shortly after the BAM, and we will be at our new location this year. I have been assured that we will be able to operate the full 24 hours this year. I will be talking with the Quincy club as well to see about the possibility of combining our operation for Field Day as we used to do. More on that to follow.

Well, I guess that's all for this month. Hope everyone stays safe and well and stay on the warm side of the door. See you down the log

73 Don

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY WISHES!



Happy Birthday!



"Now may the Lord of Peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you." (2 Thessalonians 3:16)

**FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK
BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO**



— Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

Hello again.

It appears that the DX season is upon us. All the expedition guys want to get away from the cold climates and the DX seekers would rather stay indoors and work the DX station then go out and shovel snow.

Watch for the three big events, K5P on the Palmyra Atoll, the roving VP8 in the Falkland Islands, and the awaited North Korea (someday).

We will also see much activity during two big ARRL contests the: ARRL DX **CW** Contest (February 20-21st)
And: ARRL International DX **SSB** Contest (March 5-6th)

Good luck with all this activity.

73 Larry WB2UFO

Neat history lesson. Check this out.

4V, HAITI (Special Event). Members of the Radio Club D'Haiti will be active as 4V1TL from Port-au-Prince, Haiti (NA-096), until April 30th. Activity is to celebrate the 213th anniversary of the death of General Toussaint Louverture -- The Slave Who Defeated Napoleon. He was arrested and sent to France where he was jailed at Fort de Joux (25) and died on April 7, 1803; a few months before the proclamation of Haiti's independence

VP8STI SOUTH SANDWICH ISLAND DXPEDITION NEWS. By the time you read this, members of the Intrepid-DX Group should be active as VP8STI from Southern Thule Island (AN-009) until January 27th. Reports as this was being written Sunday state, "They had some minor difficulty with landing but are now setting up their tents and antennas, and the rest of the camp. They hope to have 2 or 3 stations QRV later today. High winds and snow is falling on the island." Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY.

Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 1826.5, 3523, Tx5405/Rx5373, 7023, 10105, 14023, 18079, 21023, 24894 and 28023 kHz
SSB - 3790, Tx5403.5/Rx5371.5, 7082, 14185, 18130, 21285, 24944 and 28485 kHz
RTTY - 3580, 7045, 10142, 14080, 18099, 21080, 24912 and 28080 kHz
6m - 50105/CW and 50105/SSB

They plan to have 6 stations on the air. QSL via N200, ClubLog's OQRS or LoTW. For more details on the stations layouts and other detailed

information, see: <http://www.intrepid-dx.com/vp8>

EXTRA ADDED NOTES (by Editor): To break it down, operators AA7A, DL6KVA, JH4RHF, K1LZ, K3LP, K4ZLE, K9AJ, N4RR, N6PSE, RA9USU, W5XU, W6DR, W7XU and WD5COV should be active as:

VP8IDX/MM - From the Braveheart; traveling between the islands

VP8STI - From South Sandwich Islands between January 18-27th

VP8SGI - From South Georgia Island between February 1-19th

VP8IDX - From Falkland Islands between February 14-19th

K5P PALMYRA DXPEDITION REMINDER. Just an early reminder that 9 operators will be active as K5P from Palmyra Atoll, South Pacific, between January 12-25th. Check the K5P Palmyra2016 Web page for updates, propagation

predictions and the donation page, at: <http://palmyra2016.org>

P5/3Z9DX, NORTH KOREA. Several sources are now reporting that Dom, who previously announced plans for a January or February operation from P5, has changed plans. His next operation will be from a new location and will likely not take place until the end of summer 2016.

3B8, MAURITIUS. Jean-Paul, HB9ARY, will once again be active as 3B8HC from Mauritius (AF-049) between January 23rd and February 8th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-6 meters (focus on 80m), using mainly SSB, but with some slow CW. Jean-Paul will use an Elevated Delta-Loop for 80-30 meters along with his folded HexBeam for 20/17/15/12/10/6 meters. QSL via NI5DX direct.

SRI LANKA, 4S. Peter, DC0KK is QRV as 4S7KKG from Moragalla until April 3. Activity is on 20 to 10 meters using mostly RTTY and JT65. QSL to home call.

TANZANIA, 5H. Stan, WS5K will be QRV as 5H2SF from Dar Es Salaam from January 26 to February 10. QSL via operator's instructions.

on the 1st of January 1804. QSL via W3HNK.

5H, TANZANIA. Stan, WS5K, will be active as 5H2SF from Dar Es Salaam between January 26th and February 10th.

5J, SAN ANDRES (Update). The Polish Team of operators announced that they would be active as 5J0P from San Luis, San Andres Island (NA-033), between March 6-21st. Operators mentioned are Bob/SP2EBG, Jan/SP3CYY, Jurek/SP3GEM, Janusz/SP6IXF, Roman/SP9FOW, Piotr/SP9RCL, Woj/SP9PT (Team Leader) and Janusz/SQ2OFS. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 1822.5, 3515, 7015, 10115, 14015, 18075, 21015, 24895 and 28015 kHz

SSB - 1845, 3795, 7085/7155, 14273, 18135, 21273, 24965 and 28485 kHz

RTTY - 3585, 7045, 10139, 14085, 18103, 21085, 24915 and 28085 kHz

6m - 50105/CW and 50115/SSB -- 6m Tips available on their Web page

5V, TOGO. Wim, ON6DX, will once again be active as 5V7TH from Agbodrafo, a town in southern Togo, between February 10-22nd (approx.). His exact dates have not yet been confirmed. Wim will arrive in Lomé, the capital of Togo, on February 9th. He states that this will be a one operator DX-pedition. Activity will take place during his local mornings and evenings as much as possible. Operation will be on 40-6 meters, including 30/17/12 meters) using CW, SSB and RTTY. Suggested frequencies are available on the Web page. For more details and updates, see:

<http://www.dxpedition.be/5V7TH.html>.

5Z, KENYA. George, WF3U, is expected to be active as 5Z4/WF3U from Nairobi until February 29th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

5Z, KENYA. Bertrand, DF3FS, will once again be active as 5Z4/DF3FS from Diani Beach (40km south of Mombasa) from between January 23rd and February 7th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using CW and SSB, with a focus on NA. Antennas will be a SP7IDX Hexbeam for 20-10m and a 30m vertical. He will also have an amp. QSL via DF3FS, direct (see details on Web page) or by the Bureau. He has a Web page at:
<http://www.df3fs.de/5z-2016/index.html>

6W, SENEGAL. Marcelo, EA1HFI, will be active as 6W/EA1HFI from Ziguinchor between now (January 1st) and March 4th (but may be extended to April or more, depending on his work). Activity will focus on SSB and the Digital modes. For reasons of logistics, it is not possible to install large antennas, so activity will be QRP. His operations will be limited to his free time and weekends. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW after his return home. You can follow his journey through the social media on Facebook (Marcelo HFI) and Twitter (@EA1HFI).

6W, SENEGAL. Jacques, F6HMJ, will once again be active from Senegal, but as 6W7/F6HMJ this time between February 10th to March 1st. Activity is usually on 80-10 meters on mostly CW, with some SSB and RTTY. He will use an IC-706 MKIIG into dipoles. QSL via his home callsign.

7P, LESOTHO (Update). Members of F6KOP Amateur Radio Club announced that they will be active as 7P8C from the Maseru District in Lesotho between February 8-17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY, with 5 stations on the air.

8P, BARBADOS. Willy, KB8YRX, will be active as 8P9CA from Barbados (NA-021) between January 16th and February 4th. Activity will be on 20-10 meters using SSB. QSL via KB8YRX and LoTW.

CHILE, CE. Special event station XR4SURF is QRV from Pichilemu, known as the Chilean surfing hotspot, until February 29. QSL via bureau.

8J, JAPAN (Special Event). Japan plays host to the G7 Summit in Ise-Shima, Mie Prefecture, May 26-27th. With the support of Mie Prefecture, the JARL issued the special callsign 8J2SMT. Activity has started on December 25th, and will continue to May 27th. Operation will be on 160m-70cm. QSL will be automatic via the Bureau and there is NO need for your QSL.

C6AMD/MM. This station will operate in Antarctic Seas, CQ Zone 13, from February 16th to March 7th, from the vessel "NG Orion", a vessel flagged in the Bahamas. The station consists of an Elecraft K3/100 and a 53 foot sloping antenna using a 9:1 unun (Balun). The station will be active on CW and SSB on all HF bands with favorable propagation. The operator is Buzz, W3EMD, a passenger on the vessel. QSL via W3EMD, direct or by the Bureau.

EN5, SPAIN (AAW Op). Operators Salva/EA5BB, Jose/EA5FL, Tony/EA5BY, Vic/EA5KV, Eugin/EC5EA and Juan/EC5JC will activate the special 13th Antarctic Activity Week (AAW) station EH5WAP (WAP-267) between February 22-28th. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via EA5FL.

IOTA NEWS.....

AS-130. Herbert, DK2BR, will be active as 3W2BR from Con Son Island (3WFF-0011) in the South China Sea between March 10-26th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using SSB, RTTY and possibly PSK31. Equipment is an Icom 706 MKIIG into verticals. QSL only direct to his home callsign.

AS-202. Members of Bahrain Amateur Radio Group (BARG) will be active as A91HI from Hawar Island between April 28th and May 1st. QSL via A92AA. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

FS, ST. MARTIN. David, F8AAN, will be active as FS/F8AAN from St Martin Island (NA-105) between February 10-26th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using CW only. He normally uses a FT-897 into a portable antenna. QSL via his home callsign, direct, LoTW, ClubLog and eQSL.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Operators Bill/W4WV and Al/W6HGF will be active as KG4WV and KG4HF, respectively, from GITMO between February 20th and March 6th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters (possibly 6m) using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Al is planning to operate in the ARRL CW Contest (February 20-22nd) and a RTTY Contest the following week. QSL KG4HF via W6HGF, LoTW or ClubLog OQRS. NO STAMPS or IRCs. Al will try to upload to LoTW and OQRS daily. QSL KG4WV via W4WV. NO LoTW. LAST MINUTE ADDED NOTE: According to "Daily DX", operators Talley/W4TVG (KG4EU), Ed/KK4PHP (KG4HP) [also Al's son], and Barry/K5VIP (KG4BP) will be joining them next month.

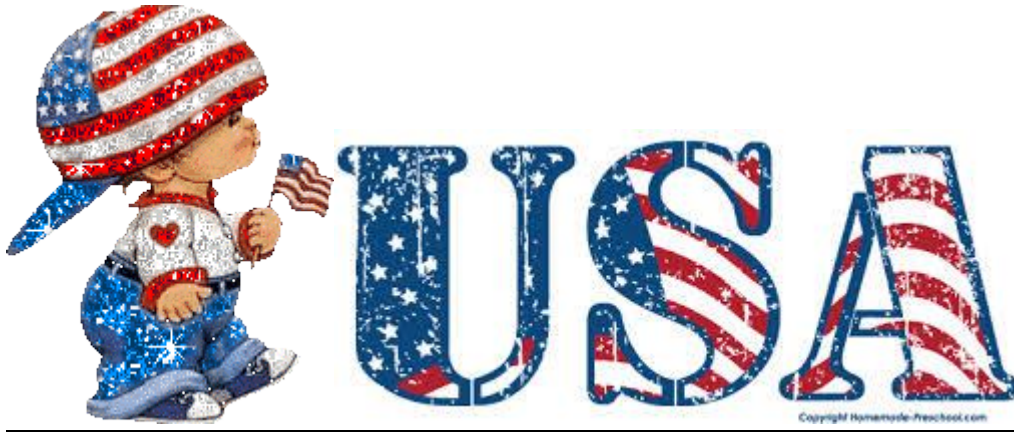
P4, ARUBA. John, W2GD, will be active as P40W from Aruba (SA-036) during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. He will be there between February 15-22nd. Operations outside of the contest are usually on 160/80m and 30/17/12 meters as time permits. Watch 160m on the hour and 80m on the half hour. QSL via LoTW or direct to N2MM, Bureau cards are no longer accepted. Logs will be loaded on LoTW upon his return to the USA.

PJ2, CURACAO. Sascha, DH6TJ, is now active as PJ2/DH6TJ from Curacao (SA-099) until February 15th. Activity will be limited (in between scuba diving) on the HF bands using SSB, with a (TRX) SDR Zeus ZS-1, (PA) HLA-300V Plus into ZS6BKW + 15m vert. Dipole. QSL via his home callsign direct only or LoTW.



Dear Troops, We want to THANK YOU!

We really appreciate your service. We know you are out there making it possible for us to be home in the USA, keeping safe. Your self-sacrifice to do this reminds us of Christ who was willing to leave His heavenly home to come to earth, suffer and die, and rise again for us. May HE bless you in a special way, and give you COURAGE, SAFETY, AND PEACE!



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